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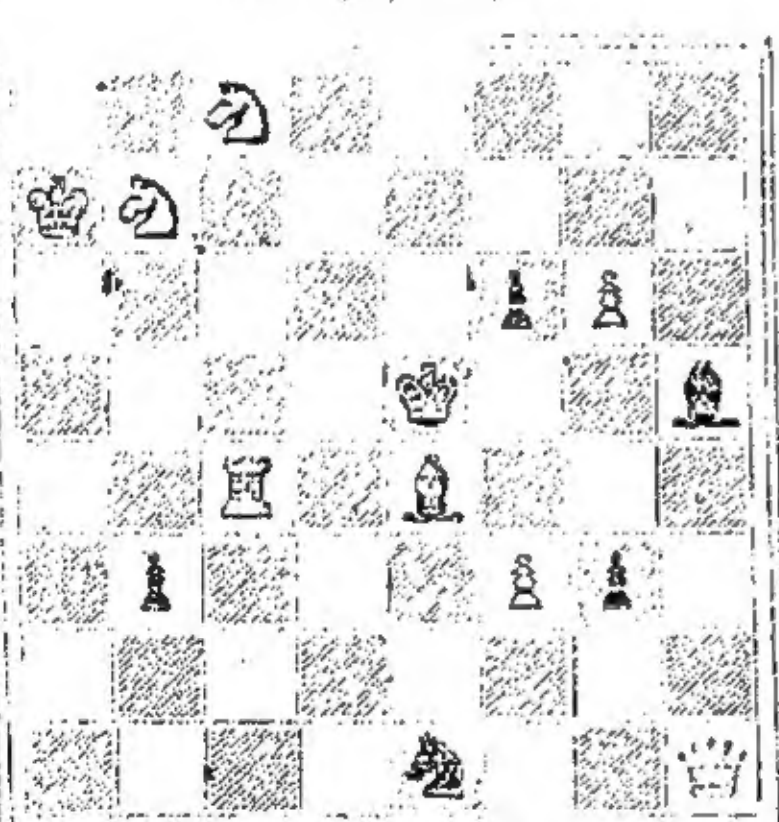
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Problem No. 48.

Black (6 pieces).



White (8 pieces).
White to play and mate in three moves.

Solution to Problem No. 47 (continued)
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White: 1 R-Q Kt3, 2 R-Q Kt3, 3 R-Q Kt3, 4 R-Q Kt3, 5 R-Q Kt3, 6 R-Q Kt3, 7 R-Q Kt3, 8 R-Q Kt3, 9 R-Q Kt3, 10 R-Q Kt3, 11 R-Q Kt3, 12 R-Q Kt3, 13 R-Q Kt3, 14 R-Q Kt3, 15 R-Q Kt3, 16 R-Q Kt3.
Black: 1 R-Kt3, 2 R-Kt3, 3 R-Kt3, 4 R-Kt3, 5 R-Kt3, 6 R-Kt3, 7 R-Kt3, 8 R-Kt3, 9 R-Kt3, 10 R-Kt3, 11 R-Kt3, 12 R-Kt3, 13 R-Kt3, 14 R-Kt3, 15 R-Kt3, 16 R-Kt3.

It is stated in some chess magazines that play in the Monte Carlo chess tournament will commence 15th inst., but I have seen it stated semi-officially that play will not start till the 1st February.

The following lively "Allgauer" will repay examination:—

White: 1 P-K4, 2 P-K4, 3 P-K4, 4 P-K4, 5 P-K4, 6 P-K4, 7 P-K4, 8 P-K4, 9 P-K4, 10 P-K4, 11 P-K4, 12 P-K4, 13 P-K4, 14 P-K4, 15 P-K4, 16 P-K4.
Black: 1 P-K4, 2 P-K4, 3 P-K4, 4 P-K4, 5 P-K4, 6 P-K4, 7 P-K4, 8 P-K4, 9 P-K4, 10 P-K4, 11 P-K4, 12 P-K4, 13 P-K4, 14 P-K4, 15 P-K4, 16 P-K4.

(a) A fine move. Of course if the B be taken by either Q or Kt, mate speedily follows by R-B7 ch, &c.

(b) Better than winning the Q for R and R, as he might have done by R to B7 ch.

A tournament held under the auspices of the Italian Chess Association has resulted in a win for Signor A. Reggio. There were eight competitors playing two games with each other, with the following result:—First prize (an objet d'art, given by H.M. the King of Italy and 4000 francs) won by A. Reggio; second prize (4000 francs), E. Crispi; third prize (2500 francs) and fourth prize (1500 francs), tie between G. Mari (Venice) and S. Russell (Florence). Signor Reggio won eleven games, and drew three, a fine performance of the talented Italian master. It will be remembered that Signor Reggio was a competitor in last year's Monte Carlo Tournament, in which he was awarded one of the special prizes. Signor Reggio, who competed in the Hastings Tournament, 1895, was not placed.

The following is one of the games played in the tournament:—

ENGLISH KNIGHT'S OPENING.

White, A. Reggio. Black, S. Russell.
1 P-K4, 2 Kt-Q3, 3 P-B3, 4 P-Q4, 5 Kt-P3, 6 B-Kt5, 7 Kt-Q3, 8 P-Q5, 9 B-Kt1, 10 B-B4, 11 Q-R5ch, 12 Q-K2, 13 Castles, 14 B-Kt3, 15 Kt-Q2, 16 Kt-P3, 17 Kt-Kt3, 18 B-Q2, 19 Q-Q2, 20 B-B2, 21 Q-K3, 22 B-Q3, 23 Q-P, 24 Q-P, 25 B-B3, 26 Q-R6, 27 P-Kt4, 28 R-B, 29 P-Q6, 30 Q-P, 31 P-Kt, 32 P-Q7, 33 Q-K7, 34 P-R4, 35 P-R5, 36 P-R6, 37 Q-K5, 38 Q-K5ch, 39 Q-K5ch, 40 Q-K5ch, 41 R-Q5, 42 R-Q5, 43 P-R, 44 Q-K5ch, 45 Q-R8ch, 46 R-P, 47 R-Kt3ch, 48 Q-B4ch.

(c) Paviani's counter attack, 129 years old, was considered a valid reply for Black up to a comparatively recent date (1874), but not so nowadays.

(d) The simple reply is 4. P-P, P-Q3 (best), for 4...P-K5 would be answered with 5. Kt-Q4, threatening the winning Q-R3, ch, 6. B-K5, B-P; 6. Castles, Kt-B3; 7. P-Q4, P-P; 8. B-Kt, ch, P-B; 9. Kt-Q4, followed by 10. K-K5, ch, &c., gives White the better game.

(e) 4...P-Q3 is preferable.

(f) 5...Q-B4; 6. P-KB4, P-Q4 should give Black at least an even game.

(g) Andersen v. Rosenthal, Baden-Baden Tournament, 1876, played here, 6...B-R2, continued, 7. B-Kt5, Castles; 8. Q-Kt3, ch, P-Q4; 9. Kt-Kt, winning the exchange eventually. Andersen won the game, but only because Rosenthal defended indifferently a temporary attack.

(h) Compulsory, 3...P-P would lose a pawn eventually.

(i) It is useless to defend an indefensible pawn.

(j) 18...B-B4 would have threatened B-Q6, and if 19. Kt-B4 Black had a good attack, and Bishops of different colour might have secured a draw.

(k) To prevent either R-B4 and R-R3.

(l) Again to prevent R-R4.

(m) 22...P-B4; 23. P-P, B-P, and if 24. Q-RP, then 24...B-Kt and sacrifice the Rook for two Pawns for the possibility of a perpetual check, might be considered.

(n) White's King's position is now perfectly secure and Black's attack is over.

(o) He had nothing better now than to sacrifice the exchange.

(p) There is nothing more to be done. If 23...B-K3, then 30. P-Q, 7. B-P; 31. B-Q5, and wins. Black brilliantly fights out a hopeless battle to the bitter end.

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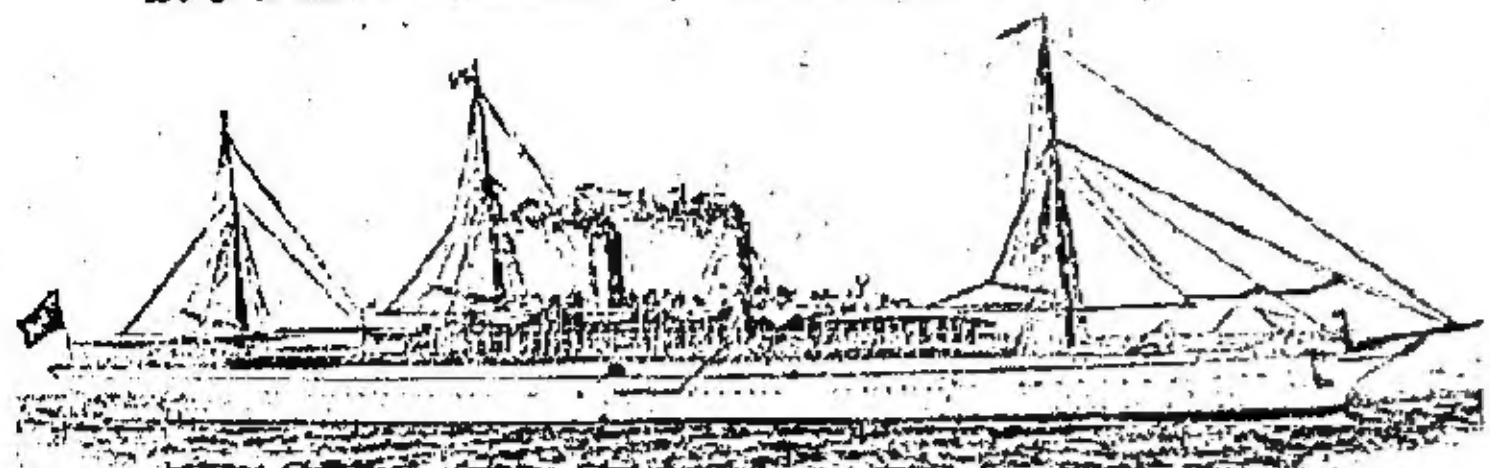
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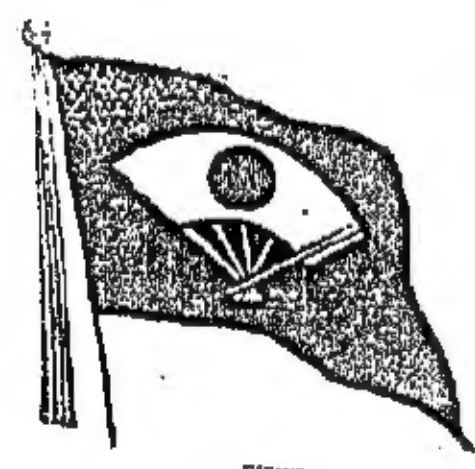
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FOR LONDON DIRECT, (Taking Cargo at London Rates), STATOR, 14th February, 1902.
FOR LONDON DIRECT, (Taking Cargo at London Rates), TANTALUS, 16th February, 1902.
FOR LONDON DIRECT, (Taking Cargo at London Rates), AXAX, 18th February, 1902.
FOR LONDON DIRECT, (Taking Cargo at London Rates), IDOMENEUS, 4th March, 1902.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS, O. S. S. Co.

Hongkong, January 10, 1902. 2402

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY.

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES

named—	STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	DATE
YMA, Via SHAL	MOJI & KOBE	R. P. MARTIN, R.N.R.	About 16th Jan.
LONDON, &c.	Bombay	A. L. VALENTINI	Noon, 18th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Terranova	R. T. COOK, R.N.R.	About 18th Jan.
LONDON, Via	Malacca	E. G. ANDREW	Noon, 25th Jan.
SINGAPORE AND	Bombay	C. J. BENTON, R.N.R.	About 27th Jan.

PASSENGER SEASON 1902.

MARSHALLS, PLYMOUTH AND LON. Oriental 5294 Tons, 29th March.

DON Direct without Transshipment. Malacca 6064, 12th April.

* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight only.

For Freight or Passage, and further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, January 7, 1902. 26

PORTLAND AND ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA; FOR

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN HONGKONG

INDRAPUTNA 4,890 A. E. Hollingsworth January 20, 1902

KNIGHT COMPANION 4,111 C. E. Froggatt, R.N.R. February 20, 1902

INDRAPUTNA 4,890 W. E. Craven, R.N.R. March 10, 1902

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1902. 2

NOTICE.

MESSAGERS MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DIUBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 13th January, 1902, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship INDUS, Capt. DUCHATEL, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal Places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 8 p.m. on the 12th January, 1902 (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

P. DE CHAMPFLOIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 31, 1901. 2674

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, FUME & TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the Brazils, to South Africa, Red Sea, Black Sea, Levant, Venice and Adriatic Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship MARIA VALENTI, Capt. BULLER, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, the 15th January.

This Steamer has Capital Accommodation for Passengers. Electric Light. A Doctor is carried.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1902. 46

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Hongkong, December 23, 1901. 2625

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(RITORO & RUTAZIONE UNITED COMPANIES.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEBRON and GENOA; also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Taking Cargo at through rates to Persian Gulf and Bagdad, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship BESAGNO, Captain P. BRUSCA, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 14th Inst., at Noon.

At Bombay the steamer is discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 10, 1902. 71

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Co.'s Steamship LAON, Captain FLANDIN, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 15th Inst.

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P. DE CHAMPFLOIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 8, 1902. 50

THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA JAPAN S. S. LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship INDRANI, Captain HILL, will be despatched as above on or about 2nd February.

For Freight, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1902. 65

Shipping.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG, Captain FINE, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 13th Inst., at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWSON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 9, 1902. 52

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to Tientsin, CHINA, HANKOW, AND PORT ARTHUR.)

THE Steamship LOONGMOON, Capt. SCHULZ, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 14th Inst., at 3 p.m.

